

December 15	Temperature				Precipitation		
	mean max	mean min	record max highest / lowest (year)	record min highest / lowest (year)	mean	record highest (year)	chance
San Diego	66	48	81 (1958) / 54 (1967)	60 (1977) / 35 (1878)	0.04	2.35 (1938)	19%
Santa Ana	70	46	88 (1942) / 47 (1931)	60 (1930) / 28 (1948)	0.05	1.32 (1936)	15%
Riverside	67	41	84 (1939) / 46 (1967)	53 (1996) / 28 (1987)	0.03	0.87 (1957)	17%
Escondido	69	41	82 (1980) / 50 (1932)	54 (1953) / 29 (1987)	0.05	1.05 (1936)	21%
Big Bear Lake	47	21	65 (2004) / 25 (1967)	30 (1998) / 4 (1972)	0.08	0.56 (1993)	17%
Idyllwild	54	27	74 (1958) / 36*(1993)	42 (1980) / 10 (1965)	0.09	0.54 (2001)	18%
Palomar Mountain	52	36	70 (1969) / 31 (1967)	51 (2006) / 14 (1972)	0.10	2.01 (1957)	17%
Victorville	60	30	78 (1977) / 32 (1967)	49 (1977) / 7 (1940)	0.03	0.35 (1993)	10%
Palm Springs	70	43	86 (1980) / 53 (1967)	57 (1998) / 28 (1987)	0.02	1.35 (1936)	10%
Borrego Springs	69	43	81 (1977) / 39 (1967)	59 (1998) / 31 (1967)	0.02	0.61 (1949)	12%

Periods of record: San Diego temperature: 1872, precipitation: 1850. Santa Ana temperature: 1916, precipitation: 1906. Riverside: 1924. Escondido: 1900. Big Bear Lake: 1960. Idyllwild: 1943. Palomar Mountain: 1938. Victorville: 1917. Palm Springs temperature: 1917, precipitation: 1906. Borrego Springs temperature: 1965, precipitation: 1942.

\* 1967 data missing

### On this day in...

**2008:** A snowstorm of a magnitude that hasn't occurred since 1979 descended on the mountains and high deserts from this day to 12.18. Impressive snow totals include 54 inches at Big Bear, almost 36 inches at Wrightwood, 20 inches at Pinon Hills, and 16 inches at Hesperia, Idyllwild and Julian.

**1987:** Strong storm winds of 100 mph were recorded at Wheeler Ridge in the Tehachapi Mountains and up to 80 mph in San Bernardino County. Up to 70 mph gusts at Pt. Arguello and gusts up to 60 mph gusts were clocked in Orange County and the San Gabriel Mountains. Avocado crop damage from winds hit Fallbrook. Over most of San Diego County the dry air led to low temperatures where the wind didn't blow. It was 13° in Mt. Laguna, 18° in Campo, 23° in Valley Center, 24° in Escondido, 28° in El Cajon, 31° in Del Mar, and 33° in Chula Vista.

**1969:** Dense fog in Orange County led to a freeway accident on Interstate 5 involving more than 100 vehicles.

**1967:** Heavy rain that began on 12.12 ended on this day. There were two drowning deaths in San Diego County. A period of snow in the mountains began on 12.13 and ended on 12.19. The entire period of snow brought 50 inches to Mt. Laguna, 38 inches in Idyllwild, two feet to Palomar Mountain, and 12 to 18 inches to the higher elevations. Four inches of snow fell in Victorville, the greatest daily snowfall on record for December, and the third greatest snowfall on record. Two inches of snow fell in Borrego Springs, the second greatest daily snowfall on record (only two recorded occurrences of measurable snowfall are on record there; the greatest amount of 4.5 inches occurred two days previous on 12.13). One freezing death resulted, numerous schools and highways were closed, transportation was disrupted and there were power outages. The high temperature in Borrego Springs was 39°, the lowest high temperature on record.

**1957:** The high temperature in Victorville was 32°, the lowest high temperature on record. This also occurred previously in the year on 1.30.1957, and on 12.11.1972.